A REVIEW OF THE *London* Diſpenſatory.

Wherein are conſidered, the

INCONSISTENCIES

OF SOME

MEDICINES,

AND THE

REAL MERIT of OTHERS.

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are Mills now in Uſe, by which all theſe Things, Bezoar excepted, are ground. If this Method is not thought certain, let them be pounded, mixed with Water, and the finer Parts poured off and dried for Uſe; let this be done till all is fine enough. This is a much quicker and eaſier Way than the other.

Axungiæ Porcinæ Sevique Ovilli Curatio.
The Purification or Trying of Hogs Lard and Mutton Sewet.

The firſt is the Province of an old Woman; Deers Sewet may be obtained of Keepers, as cheap and good, ready tried.

Axungiæ Viperinæ Curatio.
The Purification of Vipers Fat.

This is a neceſſary Preſcription, the Virtues are ſo eminent.

Mellis Deſpumatio.
Clarifying of Honey.

Very neat and pretty.

Scillæ Coctio, (lege *Scillarum Coctio.*)
The Baking of Squills.

It is intended by this Proceſs to leſſen its

its Acrimony. They are not preſcribed thus in the *Theriaca Andromachi.*

Scillæ Exſiccatio, (lege *Scillarum.*)
The Drying of Squills.

Very great.

Rhubarbari & Nucis Moſchatæ Torrefactio.
The Roaſting of Rhubarb and Nutmeg.

Neither of theſe ſometimes can be powdered alone without drying; ridiculous.

Spongiæ Uſtio.
The Burning of Sponge.

Let the Sponge be placed in a covered earthen Veſſel, in a hot Oven, till it is become friable; not till it is black, as then it loſes a great Part of its Virtue.

Cornu Cervi Calcinatio.
The Calcination of Hartſhorn.

The Horn or Bones left after diſtilling the Spirit, will anſwer for this as well as any.

Pulparum Extractio, (lege *Expreſſio.*)
The Extraction, or *Expreſſion of Pulps.*

This is a little neceſſary.

Styracis Colatio.
The Straining of Storax.

Not very neceſſary.

Opium Colatum, (lege *Opij Colatio.*)
The Straining of Opium, Aſſafetida, &c.

In my Opinion there is not a great Occaſion for it.

Millepedarum Præparatio.
Preparation of Millepedes.

The beſt Method in Uſe.

CONSERVÆ.
CONSERVES.

Half of theſe Conſerves would be enough; as I imagine, they are never given for their Virtues, but merely as a Baſis for Medicines more efficacious.

CONDITA.
PRESERVES.

Theſe belong to the Confectioner, where they may be had.

SUCCI.

SUCCI.
JUICES.

Succi Scorbutici.
The Scorbutic Juices.

Not fit for a Diſpenſatory Preſcription, or to keep in the Shop.

Rob Baccarum Sambuci.
Rob of Elder-berries.

Very little uſed, and ſeldom kept.

Elaterium.
Elaterium.

Should be kept, though little uſed.

EXTRACTA ET RESINÆ.
EXTRACTS AND RESINS.

Extractum Rad. Enulæ Campanæ.
Extract of Elecampane Roots.

This is the worſt Extract among the whole. The reſt in general are good. One Extract of Bark and Guaiacum is enough.

Ex-

Extractum Glycyrrhizæ.
Extract of Liquorice.

This is far preferable to the common Juice of the Shops, when well made, and free from Dirt.

Extractum Jalap.
Extract of Jalap.

I know of no Advantage this has over the Powder.

Extractum Catharticum.
The Cathartic Extract.

This is a draſtic Purge; is generally given to great Advantage, joined with an Opiate.

Gummi & Reſina Aloes.
Gum and Reſin of Aloes.

This is a pretty Preparation to ſeparate the Gum and Roſin of the Aloes.

OLEA PER EXPRESSIONEM.
EXPRESSED OILS.

Oleum Amygdalinum.
Oil of Almonds.

Almonds, whether bitter or ſweet, yield the

the ſame Oil; and Muſtard-ſeeds yield an Oil the very ſame.

Ol. Lini.
Oil of Linſeed.

To be obtained by Preſſure, without Heat.

OLEA PER DISTILLATIONEM.
DISTILLED OILS, or ESSENTIAL OILS.

We could very well ſpare half without any Detriment. The *Oleum Origani*, and *Oleum Buxi*, are the ſame in point of Virtue and Strength.

Oleum Lateritium.
Oil of Bricks.

Nonſenſe.

Oleum Picis Barbadenſis.
Oil of Barbadoes Tar.

This is very little uſed.

Oleum

Oleum Terebinthinæ.
Oil of Turpentine.

I ſhould prefer to this, the

Oleum Terebinthinæ Æthereum.
The Ethereal Oil of Turpentine.

Balſamum Terebinthinæ.
Balſam of Turpentine.

This is uſed by ſome Surgeons as a Digeſtive.

Oleum Copaiva Compoſitum.
Compound Oil of Balſam of Copaiba.

We do not want it.

SALES ET SALINA.
SALTS AND SALINE PREPARATIONS.

Nitrum Purificatum.
Purified Nitre.

The indiſſoluble Part is left in the Filter. The Addition of a little nitrous Acid makes the Cryſtals larger and finer. The Liquor

Liquor left after Cryſtallization, is a kind of *Epſom* Salt diſſolved; hence was originally made Magneſia, with the Addition of an Alkali, but is now made thus.

Magneſia Alba.
White Magneſia.

Diſſolve a Quantity of *Epſom* Salts in a large Portion of Water, filter.

Diſſolve in another Portion of Water about the ſame Quantity of Pearl Aſhes, filter.

Mix theſe two Solutions together, and the Magneſia will be precipitated in the Form of a white Powder. Let this be waſhed with freſh Parcels of Water twice a Day, till the Water is become inſipid; then dry the Powder on a Chalk-ſtone for Uſe. This is the only laxative Abſorbent we have.

Alumen Uſtum.
Burnt Alum.

Vitriolum Calcinatum.
Calcined Vitriol.

The Alum and the Vitriol are, by this Proceſs, deprived of a Quantity of Water they contained, and thus rendered proportionably ſtronger. The Fire ſhould not

be too fierce, or too long continued, eſpecially in the Alum, leſt Part of the Acid be diſſipated alſo.

Sal Abſinthij & Tartari.

Salt of Wormwood and Tartar.

All fixed alkaline Salts are alike, whether they are made from Wormwood, Tartar, or Pearl Aſhes. Hence one Salt, under the common Name of *Sal Alkalinus Fixus*, would anſwer all our Purpoſes.

Sal Alkalinus Fixus.

Fixed Alkaline Salt.

Take Pearl Aſhes, diſſolve them in a ſufficient Quantity of Water; then filter and evaporate.

Lixivium Tartari.

Ley of Tartar.

There can be no Difference, whether the Salt attracts the Water from the Air, or whether the Water is added extemporaneouſly.

Tartarum Solubile.

Soluble Tartar.

This is only an Union of an Acid with an

an Alkaline; is a tedious Proceſs, and may be as well made thus:

Take three Parts of Cryſtals of Tartar, and one Part of fixed alkaline Salt, mix in a Powder; and a proper Name would be

Sal Neutralis.

The Neutral Salt.

Lixivium Saponarium.

Soap Ley.

This may be had at any Time, of any Strength, of the Makers of ſoft Soap.

Sapo Amygdalinus.

Almond Soap.

This is a tedious Preparation; and when done, is by no means preferable to the *Venice* or *Caſtile Soap.*

Cauſticum Commune Fortius.

Common Stronger Cauſtic.

The Lime is ordered to be kept in a Veſſel cloſe corked, to abate its Acrimony; the Intention is deſtroyed by the Corking. It is for many Reaſons unfit for a Shop Preſcription, and Cauſtics of any Strength may be made extemporaneouſly; and, for

a Cauſtic to rub Wounds with, the *Cauſticum Lunare*, or the *Lapis Infernalis*, with Care to prevent its liquefying, is far preferable.

Cauſticum Commune Mitius.
Common Milder Cauſtic.

Beneath all Criticiſm.

Acetum Diſtillatum, vel *Spiritus Aceti.*
Diſtilled Vinegar, or *Spirit of Vinegar.*

The Vinegar, by this Proceſs, loſes its Oil; great Part of the firſt Running is not acid, the latter is.

Sal Diureticus.
Diuretic Salt.

This is nothing but a Combination of a fixed Alkali with a vegetable Acid. The Proceſs is tedious, and the Salt is ſeldom found properly neutralized; an extemporaneous Preſcription of the ſame would anſwer full as well.

Spiritus Vitrioli Tenuis & Fortis.
The Weak and Strong Spirit of Vitriol.

Theſe Spirits are not peculiar to Vitriol; they

they are the Acids of the Sulphur of Vitriol, which is by no means different from the common Brimſtone. Now that Sulphur is the beſt, which yields the larger Proportion of Oil in the eaſieſt Manner. Does the Vitriolic do this? No; then I would change the Names to

Spiritus Sulphuris Tenuis & Fortis.
The Weak and Strong Spirit of Vitriol.

The Proceſs is too well known to the Chemiſts at this Time to give a Preſcription in this Place.

Colcothar Vitrioli.
Colcothar of Vitriol.

By the Change of the above, this Proceſs is loſt; but it is no more than a Calx deprived of its Acid; which may be done by urging the *Vitriolum Calcinatum* with a very fierce Fire, till it becomes of a deep purpliſh, red Colour.

Spiritus Nitri Glauberi.
Glauber's Spirit of Nitre.

The Oil of Vitriol being the ſtronger, forces over the Acid of the Nitre, and unites with the Alkali into a kind of vitriolated

lated Tartar or Nitre, which may be purified by Solution, Filtration, and Cryſtallization.

Spiritus Salis Marini Glauberi.
Glauber's Spirit of Sea Salt.

The Oil of Vitriol acts in the ſame Manner by the Acid of the Sea Salt, as by the nitrous Acid, and unites with the alkaline Baſis into a neutral Salt.

Aqua Fortis.
Aqua Fortis.

This is nothing more than Spirit of Nitre, with a ſmall Proportion of the vitriolic Acid, about one tenth, and may be thus made extemporaneouſly.

Aqua Fortis Compoſita.
Compound Aqua Fortis.

A Combination of the three different mineral Acids in unequal Proportions, may be as well made extemporaneouſly, by the Addition of a few Drops of Spirit of Sea Salt, one Ounce of *Spiritus Sulphuris*, vel *Vitrioli Fortis*, and nine Ounces of Spirit of Nitre.

Sal

Sal Vitrioli.
Salt of Vitriol.

This is only purified white Vitriol; and being only uſed externally, a clear white Vitriol will do as well.

Tartarum Vitriolatum,
Vitriolated Tartar.

Nitrum Vitriolatum.
Vitriolated Nitre.

These are the ſame Thing under different Names; and the Reſiduum left after the Diſtillation of *Glauber*'s Spirit of Salt, is a vitriolated Tartar, the Solution and Filtration will purify it. If the Reſiduum is wanting at any Time, the *Tartarum Solubile*, or the *Sal Neutralis*, may be uſed, and is the ſame in every Virtue.

Sal Catharticus Glauberi.
Glauber's Cathartic Salt.

There is but little Difference between this and the above, in both the Acid is the ſame; the Alkali of one is the Baſis of Nitre, and the Alkali of the other is the Baſis of Sea Salt, which are little different; the Virtues are nearly ſimilar, ſo

ſimilar,

ſimilar, that, in my Opinion, they might be uſed indiſcriminately.

Spiritus Salis Marini Coagulatus.
Spirit of Sea Salt Coagulated.
Lege
Sal Marinus Neutralis.
Sea Salt Neutralized.

Spiritus Vitrioli Dulcis.
Dulcified Spirit of Vitriol.

The Spirit of Wine is a kind of attenuated Oil, and has the Power of dulcifying acid Spirits; the Spirit, with a Portion of the Acid, is thrown over a little volatilized. The ſame may be ſaid of

Spiritus Nitri Dulcis.
Dulcified Spirit of Nitre.

Spiritus Sulphuris per Campanam.
Spirit of Sulphur by the Bell.

This is nothing more or leſs than Spirit of Vitriol, ſo is a uſeleſs Form.

Spiritus, Sal & Oleum Succini.
Spirit, Salt, and Oil of Amber.

The Purification of the Salt deprives it of a great Part of its Virtue.

Spiritus,

Spiritus, Sal, & Oleum Cornu Cervi.
Spirit, Salt, and Oil of Hartſhorn.

The College have ordered the Horns only, but the Bones of the Hart are as good; and the Bones of the Ox, *&c.* are as good as theſe. Hence it is, that the Spirit has been ſold ſo cheap already, and might be afforded much cheaper ſtill.

The Correction of the Spirit by repeated Rectification, is very neceſſary.

Spiritus, Sal, & Oleum Fuliginis.
Spirit, Salt, and Oil of Soot.

Theſe are very analogous to the above, and need not a diſtinct Place in the *Pharmacopæia*, as the Spirit, Salt and Oil, may be obtained from Harts Horns and Bones much readier.

Sal Volatilis Salis Ammoniaci.
Volatile Salt of Sal Ammoniac.

The medical Qualities of this are not different from thoſe of Salt of Hartſhorn; the Ingredients ſhould be well dried before they are mixed.

Spiritus Salis Ammoniaci.
Spirit of Sal Ammoniac.

The *London* Diſpenſatory was collected by thoſe who never, in my Opinion, made a Medicine in their Lives.

They have rejected the Spirit of Sal Ammoniac with Quick-lime, but the Volatile Tincture of Bark they cannot make with this Spirit that they have ordered: Hence the Neceſſity of the other Spirit.

Spiritus Salis Ammoniaci Dulcis.
Dulcified Spirit of Sal Ammoniac.

The Neceſſity of this Medicine I cannot ſee; it may be made with Spirit of Wine and the Volatile Salt extemporaneouſly.

Spiritus Volatilis Fœtidus.
Fœtid Volatile Spirit.

This may be made with Spirit and the Fœtid Tincture.

Spiritus Volatilis Aromaticus.
Aromatic Volatile Spirit.

Take Pimento or *Jamaica* Pepper, two Ounces; Volatile Salt of Sal Ammoniac, one Pound; Eſſence of Lemons, one Ounce;

Ounce; Water, four Pints. Diſtil off what is good.

If the other be preferred, there is no need of Diſtillation.

Resinosa et Sulphurea.
Resinous and Sulphureous Preparations.

Flores Benzoini.
Flowers of Benjamin.

The Method of ſubliming with a Paper Cone, is preferable to the Uſe of a Retort.

Flores Sulphuris.
Flowers of Sulphur.

The Sulphur is here purified, and not altered.

Flores Sulphuris Loti.
Waſhed Flowers of Sulphur.

This is a very neceſſary Preparation.

Balſamum Sulphuris Simplex.
The Simple Balſam of Sulphur.

This is a very coarſe and inelegant Medicine.

Sulphur Præcipitatum.
Precipitated Sulphur.

This is a very bad Preſcription; for the Acid of Vitriol forms with the calcareous Earth a Salt of the Kind, called *Selenites*, which is precipitated with the Sulphur, and cannot be waſhed off by repeated Ablutions, for it is indiſſoluble in Water. This would not happen, if the *Hepar Sulphuris* was diſſolved in Water: But here the Acid would form with the alkaline Salt a *Tartarum Vitriolatum*, which, being ſoluble in Water, the Sulphur would be precipitated alone; but even then it is not ſuperior to the *Flores Sulphuris Loti*.

Aqua Sulphurata.
Sulphurated Water.

This is nothing but Water acidulated with the Acid of Sulphur.

METALLICA.
METALLIC PREPARATIONS.

Chalybis Rubigo Præparata.
The Ruſt of Steel Prepared.

The Steel in this Proceſs is not ſo far de-

demetallized, as by the Action of a ſtrong Fire, which reduces it to a perfect Calx, by entirely conſuming the Phlogiſton.

Chalybs cum Sulphure Præparatus.
Steel prepared with Sulphur.

The *Mars Sulphuratus* is a much better Preſcription; it is on the whole only Steel deprived of its Phlogiſton.

Flores Martiales.
Martial Flowers.

Sal Ammoniac is a ſemi-volatile Salt, and has the Property of volatilizing many other Bodies. Iron is not volatile, but is rendered ſo by the Sal Ammoniac, its Acid being deſtroyed.

Lixivium Martis.
The Ley of Iron.

The Reſiduum is Iron united with an Acid, which it nearly ſaturates. If expoſed to the Air, it attracts the Humidity which diſſolves it.

Sal

Sal Martis.
Salt of Steel.

This is nothing more than green Vitriol or Copperas; the only Difference there is or can be, is the Purity.

Cauſticum Lunare.
Lunar Cauſtic.

This is the concentrated Acid of Nitre, ſaturated with Silver.

Saccharum Saturni.
Sugar of Lead.

Is a Solution of Lead in the vegetable Acid; therefore a neutral Salt of Lead, with a Predominancy of Alkali.

Lapis Medicamentoſus.
Medicinal Stone.

This is nothing more than a Mixture; there happens not any Change, except poſſibly the Lytharge is a little corroded by the Vinegar.

Stannum

Stannum Pulveratum.
Powdered Tin.

The Tin is here deprived of its Phlogiſton.

Argenti Vivi Purificatio.
The Purification of Quickſilver.

This Proceſs is as good as any, for Mercury is more volatile than any other Metal, ſo will fly off firſt; if carefully performed, it needs no waſhing.

Aurum Muſivum.
Moſaic Gold.

This ſeems to be only Tin coloured by the Sulphur, and has no Advantage ſuperior to powdered Tin.

Æthiops Mineralis.
Æthiops Mineral.

If the Sulphur be dried well, and warmed before the Fire, and the Mortar warmed, the Union will be performed the ſooner.

Cinna-

Cinnabaris Factitia.
Artificial Cinnabar.

The Union of the Mercury and Sulphur are more intimate in this than in the above; their Virtues are ſimilar.

Mercurius Corroſivus Sublimatus, vel Albus.
Corroſive Mercury Sublimate, or White Corroſive Mercury.

This is Mercury combined with the Acid of Sea Salt. The Acid of Vitriol decompounds the Sea Salt and the Nitre, whoſe Acids unite to the Mercury. The Acid of Sea Salt, which has the greateſt Affinity to the Mercury, ſublimes united to it, the Acid of Nitre eſcapes. The Reſiduum is a Calx of Iron, a Glauber's Salt, formed by the Acid of Vitriol and the Baſis of the Sea Salt, and a *Tartarum Vitriolatum* from the Union of the ſame Acid, with the Baſis of the Nitre. This is not an elegant Proceſs, for the Nitre ſeems of no Uſe, and a more eaſy Way of combining them is this:— Take of the White Maſs in making the *Mercurius Emeticus Flavus*, grind it with an equal Weight of Sea Salt, then ſublime. Here the Acids change their Baſes, the Mercury will unite with the Acid of Sea Salt; and we ſhall have a Glauber's

Glauber's Salt left behind, from the Combination of the Acid of Vitriol with the alkaline Basis of the Sea Salt.

Mercurius Dulcis Sublimatus.
Dulcified Mercury Sublimate.

The Sublimate is by this Process deprived of much of its Acid, consequently less powerful.

Mercurius Calcinatus.
Calcined Mercury.

The Mercury is here deprived of its Phlogiston, without the Assistance of an Acid; hence the great Advantage it has over the other Mercurials.

Mercurius Præcipitatus Albus.
White Precipitate of Mercury.

This Medicine is a kind of Calomel; in the former, the Acid is dulcified by the alkaline Salt, in the latter it is dissipated by the Sublimations.

Mercurius Corrosivus Ruber.
The Mercurial Red Corrosive.

This succeeds as well with the pure Acid

of Nitre, as with the Aqua Fortis. This Preparation is a concentrated Acid of Nitre, mixed with a ſmall Proportion of the Acid of Sea Salt, and ſaturated with Mercury.

Mercurius Corallinus.
Corralline Mercury.

The Red Corroſive undergoes very little Change by this Proceſs.

Mercurius Emeticus Flavus.
The Yellow Mercurial Emetic.

This is the Acid of Vitriol, ſaturated with Mercury; and though at firſt acid, is by the Ablutions rendered perfectly neutral.

Sulphur Antimonij Præcipitatum.
Precipitated Sulphur of Antimony.

This Sulphur may be obtained much eaſier thus: Boil equal Parts of crude Antimony in Powder, and a fixed alkaline Salt; filter the Solution, in which drop Spirit of Sea Salt, and the Sulphur will precipitate.

Crocus

Crocus Antimonij.
Crocus of Antimony.

In this Proceſs the Sulphur is thrown off; but the Quantity of Nitre is not ſufficient to demetallize and calcine the Regulus.

Crocus Antimonij Lotus.
Waſhed Crocus of Antimony.

The Acid of Vitriol forms, with the alkaline Baſis of the Nitre, a *Tartarum Vitriolatum*, which adheres and is united to the *Crocus Antimonij*. In this Proceſs it is waſhed off.

Tartarum Emeticum.
Emetic Tartar.

This is a Combination of the Reguline Part of Antimony with a vegetable Acid.

Calx Antimonij.
Calx of Antimony.

Here the Nitre is ſufficient to deſtroy, not only the Sulphur, but alſo the Phlogiſton of the Regulus.

Cauſticum Antimoniale.
The Antimonial Cauſtic.

The pureſt Acid of Sea Salt will not act on Antimony, when applied to it in its ordinary Form; but the Regulus may be diſſolved in it in its concentrated State, and while raiſed in Vapour. The Remains in the Retort are the Sulphur of the Antimony, united with the Mercury of the Corroſive Sublimate, which, being ſublimed together, make

Cinnabaris Antimonij.
Cinnabar of Antimony.

This conſiſts of the ſame Principles, and is in every Reſpect the ſame with the Factitious Cinnabar above deſcribed.

Aquæ Stillatitiæ Simplices.
Simple Distilled Waters.

Aqua Alexeteria Simplex.
Simple Alexeterial Water.

The Ingredients are few and well choſen. This is a very pretty Simple Water.

Aqua

Aqua Seminum Anethi.
Water of Dill-Seed.

This is diſagreeable, and ſeldom kept.

Aqua Corticum Aurantiorum Simplex.
The Simple Diſtilled Water of Orange-Peel.

This contains a conſiderable Degree of the aromatic Qualities of the Orange-peel.

Aqua Caſtorei.
Water of Caſtor.

This is a very improper Drug for the Still, the Dearneſs of it rendering the Sophiſtication of it common; and in this Diſguiſe is not perceptible ſo ſoon. We having a Tincture, this might be very well ſpared.

Aqua Cinnamoni Simplex.
Simple Cinnamon Water.

Cinnamon imparts conſiderable Virtue to the Simple Water, but then it is liable to grow ſouriſh, and part with its Oil; a Decoction of Cinnamon will anſwer all the Purpoſes better than this.

Aqua

Aqua Fæniculi.
Fennel Water.

If the ſweet Fennel-ſeeds contain more Fragrancy, the others have more aromatic Warmth and Pungency.

Aqua Menthæ Piperitidis Simplex.
Simple Pepper-Mint Water.

This is the very beſt Simple Water of the Shops.

Aqua Menthæ Vulgaris Simplex.
Simple Spear-Mint Water.

The Simple Alexiterial Water will anſwer for this.

Aqua Piperis Jamaicenſis.
Water of Jamaica Pepper.

Vaſtly inferior, tho' ordered on the ſame Plan as the Simple Pepper-mint Water.

Aqua Pulegij Simplex.
Simple Penneroyal Water.

A very uſeful Simple Water.

Aqua Roſarum Damaſcenarum.
Damaſk Roſe Water.

Experience has ſufficiently teſtified, that the

the Damaſk Roſes have no Excellence above the White; they may be uſed indiſcriminately.

Aquæ Stillatitiæ Spirituosæ, et Spiritus.

Spirituous Distilled Waters, and Spirits.

Aqua Alexeteria Spirituoſa.

Spirituous Alexeterial Water.

I don't think there is any Occaſion for a Spirituous and Simple Water from ſuch Plants as theſe; it may however ſtand.

Aqua Alexeteria Spirituoſa cum Aceto.

Spirituous Alexeterial Water with Vinegar.

The Difference of the Angelica Leaves in this and the above Water, is of little Conſequence; there needs not two Diſtillations; but take of the above diſtilled Water eight Parts, of Vinegar one Part, mix.

Aqua Seminum Aniſi Compoſita.

Compound Aniſeed Water.

This Water is very diſagreeable.

Aqua

Aqua Corticum Aurantiorum Spirituoſa.
The Spirituous Water of Orange-Peel.

This Water is preferable to the Simple.

Aqua Seminum Cardamomi.
Water of Cardamom-Seeds.

The greater Part of the Virtue of the Cardamom-ſeeds is not elevated by Diſtillation with Spirit.

Aqua Seminum Carui.
Water of Carraway-Seeds.

This Water is not equal in Strength to a Tincture drawn with Rectified Spirit.

Aqua Cinnamomi Spirituoſa.
Spirituous Cinnamon Water.

Not equal, at leaſt not ſuperior, to the Tincture of Cinnamon.

Aqua Juniperi Compoſita.
Compound Juniper Water.

This is very well preſcribed.

Aqua Menthæ Piperitidis Spirituoſa.
The Spirituous Water of Pepper-Mint.

The Simple Water contains all the Virtues

tues of the Pepper-mint, in the ſame Doſe with this, the aromatic Warmth is ſufficient; and needs not the Aſſiſtance of a ſpirituous Vehicle, which renders it too hot for the Stomach.

Aqua Menthæ Vulgaris Spirituoſa.
Spirituous Spear-Mint Water.

This is preferable to the Simple Water, but not ſuperior to the Alexeterial.

Aqua Nucis Moſchatæ.
Nutmeg Water.

The Quantity of Nutmegs is too ſmall to give any thing but a Smell to this Water; it is however inoffenſive in not being nauſeous.

Aqua Pulegij Spirituoſa.
Spirituous Pennyroyal Water.

This Water is not equal in Elegance to the Simple Water of the ſame Plant.

Aqua Raphani Compoſita.
Compound Water of Horſe Radiſh.

In this Water there are more Nutmegs than in the Nutmeg Water.

Spiritus Lavendulæ Simplex.
Simple Spirit of Lavender.

This is as well made with the Eſſential Oil and Rectified Spirit; as alſo

Spiritus Roris-marini.
Spirit of Roſemary.

Spiritus Lavendulæ Compoſitus.
Compound Spirit of Lavender.

This is a Tincture. Why both the Spirit of Lavender and of Roſemary are put in, I cannot conceive. The Spices might be increaſed to four Times their preſent Quantity to Advantage.

Decocta et Infusa.
Decoctions and Infusions.

Decoctum Album.
White Decoction.

This Name is nothing determinate. *Decoction of Burnt Hartſhorn*, is a more proper Name. The Quantity of Gum Arabic is too ſmall, and the Addition of about a Dram of Cinnamon wanting.

Decoctum Commune pro Clyſtere.
Common Decoction for Glyſters.

Thin Gruel is full as good for moſt Intentions.

Decoctum

Decoctum Pectorale.
Pectoral Decoction.

If a neat Decoction is required, only one Ounce of Figs ſhould be uſed; the Quantity of Ingredients is too great for the Decoction; if thus made, it is thick and inelegant.

Aqua Hordeata.
Barley Water.

It is ſaid that ſome Money was given for this Preſcription, and therefore ſet down in this verboſe Manner.

Fotus Communis.
Common Fomentation.

The College are in ſome Preſcriptions luxuriant, as in the *Aqua Raphani Compoſita*, and in the *Decoctum Pectorale*, &c. and in others remarkably ſparing in the Quantity of the Ingredients, as in the *Aqua Nucis Moſchatæ*, *Spiritus Lavendulæ Compoſitus*, &c. And in this Medicine before us, the Ingredients might certainly be uſed to more Advantage in a much larger Quantity, if uſed ſo at all, and this without burthening the Menſtrua with the Quantity of the Ingredients.

Jus Viperinum.
Viper Broth.

This has no Advantage over Chicken

Broth alone. It is in Fact a great deal owing to ſuch Medicines as theſe, that Phyſic has fallen into great Diſrepute.

Mucilago Seminum Cydoniorum.
Mucilage of Quince-Seeds.

Why have not Mucilage of Gum Arabic and Gum Tragacanth been preſcribed alſo?

Serum Aluminoſum.
Alum Whey.

This deſerves more Notice than it has.

Serum Scorbuticum.
Scorbutic Whey.

This is a very ridiculous Whey.

Infuſum Amarum Simplex.
The Simple Bitter Infuſion.

This is a very pretty tranſparent Infuſion.

Infuſum Amarum Purgans.
The Purging Bitter Infuſion.

There is no Occaſion for two Bitter Infuſions; the Infuſion of Sena may be added or given occaſionally.

Infuſum Senæ Commune.
Common Infuſion of Sena.

The Cryſtals of Tartar hardly diſſolve; the

the Cardamom-ſeeds render all aqueous Menſtrua turbid; the Infuſion might without Harm be altered thus — Sena-leaves, two Ounces, Carraway-ſeeds bruiſed, two Drams; pour on them boiling Water, to ſtrain off a Quart. If the Ingredients were boiled in the Water, it would be better, and the Name altered to *Decoctum Senæ*.

Infuſum Senæ Limoniatum.

Infuſion of Sena with Lemon.

If the above Infuſion of Sena be preſcribed or made, this Form will be unneceſſary, as the Lemon Juice may be added occaſionally.

Aqua Calcis Simplex.

Simple Lime Water.

Rain Water anſwers beſt.

Aqua Calcis Minus Compoſita.

The Leſs Compound Lime Water.

Aqua Calcis Magis Compoſita.

The More Compound Lime Water.

One would think the College, by theſe Preſcriptions, thought that Lime Water contained as much Virtue as the Biſhop of *Cloyne* ſuppoſed lay in Tar Water.

Tinctura

Tinctura Roſarum.
Tincture of Roſes.
Lege *Infuſum Roſarum.*

Acetum Scilliticum.
Vinegar of Squills.

The Spirit ſhould be added before it has thrown down its Fœces; if not, freſh Fœces will be thrown down on the Addition.

VINA.
WINES.

Vinum Aloeticum Alkalinum.
Alkaline Aloetic Wine.

This Menſtruum is too much burthened alſo; the Articles are well choſen for the general Intention.

Vinum Amarum.
Bitter Wine.

This is every Way inferior to the Spirituous Tincture.

Vinum Antimoniale.
Antimonial Wine.

The Waſhing of the Crocus is immaterial; this is the ſame if made with the Glaſs of Antimony.

Vinum

Vinum Chalybeatum.
Chalybeate Wine.

This Wine is much better made with Heat than without.

Vinum Croceum.
Saffron Wine.

A ſpirituous Tincture is better than a vinous, and keeps better.

Vinum Ipecacoanhæ.
Ipecacoanha Wine.

The Addition of a ſtomachic Medicine, is, I think, of no Uſe in an Emetic Wine.

Vinum Viperinum.
Viper Wine.

It is of little Uſe, or Conſequence.

Tinctura Rhabarbari Vinoſa.
Tincture of Rhubarb in Wine.

This may paſs very well.

Tinctura Sacra.
Sacred Tincture.

This ſhould be made with good old Mountain; the Name ſhould be, *Vinum Aloes* vel *Aloeticum.*

Tinctura

Tinctura Thebaica.
Thebaic Tincture.

Wine is not a proper Menſtruum for Opium.

Tincturæ Spirituosæ.
Sriritуous Tinctures.

Tinctura Amara.
The Bitter Tincture.

This is intended for keeping; is an excellent Medicine for the Uſes deſigned as a Stomachic.

Tinctura Antimonij.
Tincture of Antimony.

This is nothing more than a Tincture of *Hepar Sulphuris.*

Tinctura Aromatica.
Aromatic Tincture.

This is a very warm and ſerviceable Aromatic.

Tinctura Cantharidum.
Tincture of Cantharides.

This Tincture loſes its Virtue by keeping, if not properly ſecured.

Tinctura

Tinctura Cardamomi.
Tincture of Cardamoms.

This is preferable to the Diſtilled Water, and may ſupply its Place, Regard being had to the Quantities.

Tinctura Caſtorei.
Tincture of Caſtor.

The beſt Tincture is made with Rectified Spirit; this extracts all the fine Parts of the Caſtor, and leaves the coarſe, ungrateful Parts of it behind.

Tinctura Cinnamomi.
Tincture of Cinnamon.

This is preferable to the *Aqua Cinnamomi Spirituoſa*, as it is ſtronger of the Cinnamon.

Tinctura Corticis Peruviani Simplex.
The Simple Tincture of the Peruvian Bark.

Proof Spirit diſſolves both the gummy and reſinous Parts of the Bark; hence this is ſtrong of the Virtues of the Drug.

Tinctura Corticis Peruviani Volatilis.
Volatile Tincture of the Peruvian Bark.

Thoſe who have endeavoured to make

this Tincture with the College Spirit of *Sal Ammoniac*, have been foil'd; the Pungency of the Spirit with Lime, is by the Bark corrected and united; they form a Medicine of great Virtue.

Tinctura Fœtida.
The Fœtid Tincture.

The Assafœtida should be rubbed and divided by Sand, before it is put to the Spirit, as directed in the *Tinctura Sacra.*

Tinctura Fuliginis.
Tincture of Soot.

If the Assafœtida was double in Quantity, it would not be amiss.

Tinctura Guaiacina Volatilis.
Volatile Tincture of Gum Guaiacum.

This is a good Medicine.

Tinctura Jalapii.
Tincture of Jalap.

The Menstruum is too much loaded; it would be full as strong from six Ounces.

Tinctura Japonica.
Tincture of Japan Earth.

Here also the Menstruum is loaded; it would

would anſwer better made with the Earth and Tincture of Cinnamon already made.

Tinctura Florum Martialium.
Tincture of Martial Flowers.

This is an elegant Chalybeate Tincture.

Tinctura Martis in Spiritu Salis.
Tincture of Iron in Spirit of Salt.

The Spirit of Salt does not diſſolve ſo much of the Iron as the Vitriolic Acid; but it has this Advantage, it mixes uniformly with Rectified Spirit.

Tinctura Melampodij.
Tincture of Black Hellebore.

By much the beſt Preparation of Black Hellebore.

Tinctura Myrrhæ.
Tincture of Myrrh.

The Myrrh ſhould be powdered and mixed with Sand, to keep it divided.

Tinctura Rhabarbari Spirituoſa.
Tincture of Rhubarb in Spirit.

There is no Occaſion for this, every Purpoſe being anſwered by the Vinous Tincture.

Tinctura Saturnina.
The Saturnine Tincture.

This is a ſtrong Styptic, and dangerous Preparation of Lead; its Uſe has been often followed by terrible Symptoms, when even given in ſmall Quantities.

Tinctura Senæ.
Tincture of Sena.

This is a very uſeful Tincture; there are more Raiſins than neceſſary uſed.

Tinctura Serpentariæ.
Tincture of Snake-Root.

A very good and uſeful Tincture.

Tinctura Stomachica.
Stomachic Tincture.

A very pleaſant Tincture of ſome Warmth.

Tinctura Styptica.
The Styptic Tincture.

The Addition of a little Oak Bark, or any vegetable Aſtringent, makes this Tincture of a fine black Colour.

Tinctura Valerianæ Simplex.
The Simple Tincture of Valerian.

Tinctura

Tinctura Valerianæ Volatilis.
The Volatile Tincture of Valerian.

Neither of theſe Medicines require any Commendations or Remarks.

Tinctura Veratri.
Tincture of White Hellebore.

This is not wanting, except in *Bedlam*; and there, I believe ſeldom, we have Antimonials.

Balſamum Guaiacinum.
Balſam of Guaiacum.

This contains a large Proportion of the Gum.

Balſamum Traumaticum.
Vulnerary Balſam.

This is very well preſcribed.

Elixir Aloes.
Elixir of Aloes.

There is too much Saffron for the Quantity of Menſtruum.

Elixir Paregoricum.
Paregoric Elixir.

The Quantity of Benjamin is too ſmall to make it a Pectoral Medicine, otherwiſe than as an Opiate, by allaying the Irritation. It is on the whole an excellent Medicine; the Oil of Aniſeeds is exceſſively nauſeous, and would be better omitted.

Elixir

Elixir Vitrioli Acidum.
Acid Elixir of Vitriol.
Elixir Vitrioli Dulce.
Dulcified Elixir of Vitriol.

Neither of these require Remarks.

Elixir Myrrhæ Compositum.
Compound Elixir of Myrrh.

A Tincture made with *Savine* in Tincture of Myrrh would do better alone; the Tincture of Castor might be added occasionally.

MIXTURÆ.
MIXTURES.

Julepum e Camphora.
The Camphorated Julep.

This is strongly impregnated with the Virtues of the Camphor.

Julepum e Creta.
The Chalk Julep.
Julepum e Moscho.
The Musk Julep.

May be still continued.

Emulsio Communis.
Common Emulsion.

There is here not enough Gum Arabic.

Lac

Lac Ammoniaci.

Milk of Gum Ammoniac.

Lege *Solutio Ammoniaci.*

Spiritus Vinosus Camphoratus.

Camphorated Spirits of Wine.

Proper to be kept in the Shops.

SYRUPI.

SYRUPS.

Syrupus ex Allio.

Syrup of Garlick.

A very nauseous Preparation for a Syrup.

Syrupus ex Althæa.

Syrup of Marshmallows.

The Marshmallows are not dear; but the Syrup is extremely similar to the Pectoral Syrup, and is not any way better.

Syrupus e Corticibus Aurantiorum.

Syrup of Orange-Peel.

A very grateful Syrup; but if cold Water was poured on the Peel, the Syrup would be still more grateful.

Syrupus Balsamicus.

Syrup of Balsam.

If the Syrup was made with the Addition

of

of Tincture of the Balsam, according to the *Edinburgh* Form, it would be less Trouble.

Syrupus Caryophyllorum Rubrorum.
Syrup of Clove Judy-Flowers.

The Scarceness of these Flowers renders this Syrup liable to Sophistication; it is not wanting.

Syrupus Croci.
Syrup of Saffron.

We have Simple Syrup and Saffron Wine.

Syrupus Cydoniorum.
Syrup of Quinces.

A very pretty Syrup, of an agreeable Flavour and slight Astringency.

Syrupus e Succo Limonum, Mororum, &c.
Syrup of Lemon Juice, Mulberries, &c.

Very agreeable.

Syrupus e Meconio.
Diacodion.

Observe the Cautions.

Syrupus Papaveris Erratici.
Syrup of Wild Poppies.

While we have Diacodion, this is not wanting; except by some curious Pick-pockets to colour Simple Waters with, and sell them for Fever Juleps, which is a Practice very common.

Syrupus

Syrupus Pectoralis.
Pectoral Syrup.

This is much the ſame in Virtue as the Syrup of Marſhmallows.

Syrupus Roſarum Solutivus.
Solutive Syrup of Roſes.

Needs no Amendment, the Sugar need not be double refined.

Syrupus Scilliticus.
Syrup of Squills.

If Honey ſhould diſagree, we have the Vinegar of Squills and Simple Syrup; there is no Occaſion to keep this.

Syrupus Simplex.
The Simple Syrup.

The moſt uſeful Syrup in the whole.

Syrupus e Spina Cervina.
Syrup of Buckthorn.

Extremely nauſeous, is only fit for Glyſters; a coarſe Sugar will do full as well.

Syrupus Violarum.
Syrup of Violets.

A very pretty Syrup for Children.

Syrupus Zinziberis.
Syrup of Ginger.
A very good Addition.

Confectio Alkermes.
Confection of Kermes.
A light Subaſtringent, little uſed.

Mella et Oxymellita.
Honeys and Oxymells.

Mel Ægyptiacum.
Ægyptian Honey.
This is a very inelegant Preparation, of little Uſe and leſs Virtue. — *Only fit for the Phyſicians Horſes Heels; and for them provided, I ſuppoſe.*

Mel Elatines.
Honey of Fluellin.
Of little Uſe and Virtue.

Mel Helleboratum.
Honey of Hellebore.
Seldom ventured on; ſeldom to be met with good.

Mel Roſaceum.
Honey of Roſes.
May be kept.

Mel

Mel Solutivum.
Solutive Honey.

The Cummin-ſeeds are extremely offenſive; but it being principally for Clyſters, it may paſs, though Subſtances more proper might be added extemporaneouſly, at the Diſcretion of the Preſcriber.

Oxymel ex Allio.
Oxymel of Garlick.

Garlick is too indelicate for any Preſcription.

Oxymel Scilliticum.
Oxymel of Squills.

A very good Medicine.

Oxymel Simplex.
Simple Oxymel.

Neceſſary to be kept.

PULVERES.
POWDERS.

Pulvis Antilyſſus.
Powder againſt the Bite of a Mad Dog.

A mere Plaything, not dangerous in itſelf, but in the Delay from other Medicines.

Pulvis Ari Compositus.
Compound Powder of Cuckow-Pint.

The Salt of Wormwood renders this Medicine liable to become moist; it might be added occasionally.

Pulvis e Bolo Compositus sine Opio.
Compound Powder of Bole without Opium.

If one Ounce of Nutmegs were used instead of half an Ounce of Long Pepper, the Medicine would not be the worse.

Pulvis e Bolo Compositus cum Opio.
Compound Powder of Bole with Opium.

A Mistake might happen, in one being used for the other; I would not trust to it. The Quantity of any liquid Opium might be added in any Form occasionally.

Pulvis e Cerussa Compositus.
Compound Powder of Ceruss.

This may stand unaltered.

Pulvis e Chelis Cancrorum Compositus.
Compound Powder of Crabs Claws.

The Simple Powder is as good.

Pulvis Bezoardicus.
Bezoardic Powder.

If instead of Bezoar, Brick-dust was used, the Powder would be as good.

Pulvis

Pulvis Contrayervæ Compositus.
Compound Powder of Contrayerva.

Take the Simple Powder of Crabs-claws, the Powder will be as good.

Pulvis e Myrrha Compositus.
Compound Powder of Myrrh.

These Ingredients would more unexceptionably make a Pill than a Powder.

Pulvis e Scammonio Compositus.
Compound Powder of Scammony.

But little used.

Pulvis e Sena Compositus.
Compound Powder of Sena.

Not a good Prescription.

Pulvis Sternutatorius.
Sneezing Powder.

Alias Snuff.

Pulvis e Succino Compositus.
Compound Powder of Amber.

This receives no Virtue from the Amber. If the Quantity of the Gum Olibanum was increased to that of the Amber, and *vice versa*, the Powder would not be the worse.

Pulvis

Pulvis e Tragacantha Compoſitus.
Compound Powder of Gum Dragant.

Would be rather better if thus made—Gum Dragant, Gum Arabic, Marſhmallow Roots and Sugar, each equal Parts.

Hiera Picra.

The Socotrine Aloes may be uſed for the Gum.

Species Aromaticæ.
Aromatic Species.

Neat and elegant.

Species e Scordio ſine & cum Opio.
Species of Scordium without and with Opium.

The *Pulveres e Bolo Compoſiti* contain the ſame Virtues with leſs Trouble.

TROCHISCI ET TABELLÆ.
TROCHES AND LOZENGES.

Saccharum Roſaceum.
Sugar of Roſes.

This will grow moiſt and run about.

Trochiſci Bechici Albi.
White Pectoral Troches.

The Liquorice prevents their being white.

Trochiſci

Trochiſci Bechici Nigri.
Black Pectoral Troches.

This is not better than Extract of Liquorice, nor the preceding than Sugar-candy.

Trochiſci e Nitro.
Troches of Nitre.

Nitre and Sugar.

Trochiſci e Scilla.
Troches of Squills.

Are of no Uſe but for the *Theriaca Andromachi.*

Trochiſci e Sulphure.
Troches of Sulphur.

A needleſs Preparation; as is alſo

Trochiſci e Terra Japonica.
Troches of Japan Earth.

Tabellæ Cardialgicæ.
Heart-burn Lozenges.

They might be made rather better thus —Prepared Chalk and double-refined Sugar, each four Ounces; Oil of Nutmegs, half a Scruple; of Cinnabar, two Drams; Mucilage of Gum Arabic or Dragant, a ſufficient Quantity to form Troches.

PILLULÆ.
PILLS.

Pillulæ Aromaticæ.
Aromatic Pills.

An Aromatic Pill without a Purgative would be rather better; a Purgative might be added, but cannot be taken away, occaſionally.

Pillulæ ex Colocynthide Simpliciores.
The More Simple Pills of Coloquintìda.

Pillulæ ex Colocynthide cum Aloes.
Pills of Coloquintida with Aloes.

Why theſe are made two Preparations, no ſatisfactory Reaſon can be given; the firſt is ſufficient, as we have the *Extractum Catharticum.*

Pillulæ Ecphracticæ.
Deobſtruent Pills.

The Ingredients are ill ſuited for ſuch a Form.

Pillulæ Gummoſæ.
Gum Pills.

The Aſſafœtida might be increaſed to one Ounce in Quantity.

Pillulæ

Pillulæ Mercuriales.
Mercurial Pills.

Turpentine is not neceſſary to unite the Mercury; a little Honey or Balſam of Sulphur will do as well.

Pillulæ Ruſi.
Ruſus's Pills.

A good Form.

Pillulæ Saponaceæ.
Soap Pills.

Venice Soap may be uſed.

Pillulæ e Styrace.
Pills of Storax.

One Opiate Pill is enough.

ELECTARIA.
ELECTARIES.

Electarium e Baccis Lauri.
Electary of Bay-Berries.

This, though contracted, is even now ſuperfluous.

Electarium e Caſia.
Electary of Caſſia.

If the Pulp of Caſſia is kept, this need not.

Electarium Lenitivum.
Lenitive Electary.

The Liquorice is of no Uſe; the Sugar need not be double refined.

Electarium e Scammonio.
Electary of Scammony.

May be made occaſionally.

Electarium e Scordio.
Electary of Scordium.

If the *Pulvis e Bolo Compoſitus* was uſed, it might be called *Electarium e Bolo.*

Balſamum Locatelli.
Locatellus's Balſam.

The Saunders is of no Service; a little prepared Bole would do better.

Confectio Cardiaca.
The Cordial Confection.

If the Evaporation is performed in that called a Cold-ſtill, the Spirit will be ſaved, and uſeful: The Saffron is better put in in Powder.

Confectio Paulina.
Confection called Paulina.

Two Peppers need not be uſed.

Mith-

Mithridatium, ſive Confectio Damocratis.
Mithridate, or Damocrates's Confection.

Every Powder ought to be weighed ſeparate.

Philonium Londinenſe.
The London Philonium.

If Cinnamon was uſed inſtead of the White Pepper, the Medicine would be warm enough.

Theriaca Andromachi.
Venice Treacle.

The Powders ought here alſo to be weighed ſeparate.

Aquæ Medicamentosæ.
Medicated Waters.

Aqua Aluminoſa Bateana.
Bate's Alum Water.

Little uſed.

Aqua Sapphirina.
The Sapphire-coloured Water.

This is Lime-water, tinged by an Eroſion of Copper, with a little *Sal Ammoniacum*.

Aqua Vitriolica Cærulea.
Blue Vitriolic Water.

Styptic.

Aqua Vitriolica Camphorata.
Camphorated Vitriolic Water.

Little uſed.

Lotio Saponacea.
The Saponaceous Lotion.

Mix all together, and ſhake them well; there needs no Trouble of Rubbing.

Olea per Infusionem et Decoctionem.

Oils by Infusion and Decoction.

Oleum Hyperici.
Oil of St. John's Wort.

This Oil receives ſome Virtue from the Flowers.

Oleum e Mucilaginibus.
Oil of Mucilages.

This is a very uncouth and inelegant Preſcription. The Marſhmallows are of no Service; and, on the whole, it is nothing more than Olive Oil, with a little Linſeed Oil.

Oleum

Oleum Sambucinum.
Oil of Elder.

Oleum Viride.
Green Oil.

However theſe may be prized from the Virtues of the Ingredients, I much queſtion if any good can be produced. That the Wormwood, *&c.* ſhould give any, appears inconſiſtent; and the Green Oil is eſpecially ridiculous.

EMPLASTRA.
PLASTERS.

Emplaſtrum ex Ammoniaco cum Mercurio.
The Ammoniacum Plaſter with Mercury.

This is a very unſuitable Plaſter.

Emplaſtrum Attrahens.
Drawing Plaſter.

This is ſeldom uſed but for Bliſters. If equal Parts of all the Ingredients were uſed, the Compoſition would be full as good, and rather milder.

Emplaſtrum Cephalicum.
Cephalic Plaſter.

This Plaſter is epiſpaſtic.

Em-

Emplaſtrum Commune.
Common Plaſter.

Here is not Oil enough by near one Half.

Emplaſtrum Commune Adhæſivum.
Common Sticking Plaſter.

This may be made occaſionally, by adding a little powdered Roſin to the common Plaſter.

Emplaſtrum Commune cum Gummi.
Common Plaſter with Gums.

A warm ſerviceable Plaſter, and convenient, where a Cataplaſm cannot be uſed.

Emplaſtrum Commune cum Mercurio.
Common Plaſter with Mercury.

A good mercurial Plaſter.

Emplaſtrum e Cymino.
Cummin Plaſter.

The Cummin-ſeeds are too diſagreeable to be hid by either Muſk or Aſſafœtida.

Emplaſtrum e Minio.
Red-Lead Plaſter.

There is no Difference between this and the common Plaſter.

Em-

Emplaſtrum e Mucilaginibus.
Plaſter of Mucilages.

Plaſter with Gum Ammoniac, is a more proper Name.

Emplaſtrum Roborans.
Strengthening Plaſter.

I ſuppoſe by preventing Perſpiration in the Part, the Sticking Plaſter, coloured with Bole, is more uſed, and is as good.

Emplaſtrum e Sapone.
Soap Plaſter.

A good Plaſter.

Emplaſtrum Stomachicum.
Stomach Plaſter.

The Soap Plaſter, with the Addition of a little Oil of Mace, Mint, *&c.* is a better Stomach Plaſter.

Emplaſtrum Veſicatorium.
Bliſtering Plaſter.

The Vinegar is of no Uſe. The following Form is full as good:—Take *Burgundy* Pitch, eight Ounces; common Turpentine, three Ounces; Cantharides, two Ounces and a half.

Unguenta et Linimenta.
Ointments and Liniments.

Unguentum Simplex.
Simple Ointment.

For Uſe not preferable to Hogs Lard; it helps fill the Catalogue.

Unguentum Album.
White Ointment.

Simple Ointment is whiter than this.

Lege *Unguentum Eolliens.*
Emollient Ointment.

Unguentum Album Camphoratum.
Camphorated White Ointment.

Lege *Unguentum Emolliens Camphoratum.*
Camphorated Emollient Ointment.

Unguentum Baſilicum Flavum.
Yellow Baſilicum.

This is a very rough Digeſtive, ſticking and diſagreeable; if made thus, would be better— Oil Olive, one Quart; yellow Roſin and yellow Wax, one Pound.

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Unguentum Baſilicum Nigrum.
Black Baſilicum.

Unneceſſary.

Unguentum Baſilicum Viride.
Green Baſilicum.

Unfit for a College Preſcription. One of the Committee had been a Farrier, and recommended this on that Account.

Unguentum Cæruleum Fortius & Mitius.
The Stronger and Weaker Blue Ointment.

There is no Need of any thing to unite the Quickſilver with the Lard, if the Lard contains no Water, from which it may be freed by the Fire. It will mix with the Quickſilver without any Aſſiſtance. It may be divided by a little, then the whole added. Sometimes the Ointment is required, equal Parts of each; if it was kept ſo, it might be weakened at Pleaſure.

Unguentum e Gummi Elemi.
Ointment of Gum Elemi.

This too ſtiff by two Pints of Oil.

Unguentum e Mercurio Præcipitato.
Ointment with Precipitate of Mercury.

An extemporaneous Preſcription.

Unguentum e Pice.
Ointment of Tar.

Inelegant.

Unguentum Sambucinum.
Ointment of Elder.

This is more uſually made with Hogs Lard.

Unguentum Saturninum.
Ointment of Lead.

If the Quantity of Sugar of Lead be added to the White or Emollient Ointment, it will be as well.

Unguentum e Sulphure.
Ointment of Sulphur.

Extemporaneous.

Unguentum Tripharmacum.
Ointment of three Ingredients.

A ridiculous Name. *Unguentum Defenſivum.*

Unguentum Tutiæ.
Ointment of Tutty.

Any ſoft Animal Fat will do.

Un-

Unguentum ad Veſicatoria.
Ointment for Bliſters.

Should be made ſofter.

Unguentum Viride.
Green Ointment:

Not better after all than Hogs Lard.

Linimentum Album.
White Liniment.

This is not ſoft enough to be eſſentially different from the Ointment.

Linimentum Saponaceum.
Soap Liniment.

Spirits of Wine, ſoft Soap and Camphire, are more uſed.

Linimentum Tripharmacum.
Liniment of three Ingredients.

There is no Reaſon why we ſhould have Ointment and Liniment too.

Linimentum Volatile.
Volatile Liniment.

Very good.

CERATA.
CERATES.

Ceratum Album.
White Cerate.

This is rather better to dreſs Bliſters with than the *Emplaſtrum Attrahens.*

Ceratum Citrinum.
Yellow Cerate.

This is of no manner of Conſequence.

Ceratum Epuloticum.
Cicatrizing Cerate.

If four Ounces of the common Plaſter were uſed, the Cerate would be ſtill better.

Ceratum Mercuriale.
Mercurial Cerate.

Is not wanted.

EPITHEMATA.
EPITHEMS.

Epithema Veſicatorium.
Bliſtering Epithem.

This is uſeful to bliſter in the Small-Pox, *&c.*

Epi-

Epithema Volatile.
Volatile Epithem.

An extemporaneous Form.

Cataplaſma e Cymino.
Cummin Cataplaſm.

Is eaſily made when ordered.

Cataplaſma Suppurans.
Suppurating Cataplaſm.

White Bread and Milk; or the common Plaſter with Gums, will anſwer much better.

Coagulum Aluminoſum.
Alum Curd.

This is but little uſed; ſeems more preſcribed by an old Woman than a Phyſician.

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